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SUBJECT: NEtwork 04: One Stops – Building Economic Opportunity thru Workforce Investment

The Region I Office of the Employment and Training Administration and the State of Maine Department of Labor, as co-sponsors, would like to invite your participation in the third Northeast Regional One Stop conference, *NEtwork 04: One Stops – Building Economic Opportunity thru Workforce Investment*. This conference will be conducted during the period November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at the Marriott at Sable Oaks in South Portland, Maine.

The conference is designed as a forum and learning opportunity for One Stop career center operators, their staff, their partners and other ETA grantees for which the One Stop career center is a resource. These individuals will have an opportunity to explore exemplary practices developed and implemented by their peers, to share their own experiences with their colleagues, and to learn about recent changes and proposed changes in the world of workforce investment.

The conference will begin with registration and a box lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and conclude mid-afternoon on Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. A copy of the draft agenda is enclosed as attachment 1. The conference will open with a plenary session at 1:00 p.m. This session will begin with a welcome from the State of Maine and an update on the Washington, D.C. perspective and national developments. Speakers at the daily plenary sessions will include Mark Troppe from the National Center on Education and the Economy, Paul Harrington from the Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University and Cindy White from the Central Connecticut State University. On Wednesday evening there will be a reception during which time participants will have an opportunity to network with their colleagues from across the Northeast.

A preliminary list of the conference workshops is enclosed as attachment 2. The StaffSkills educational component on the use of O'NET tools in One Stop service provision will be one continuous program for the duration of the conference and participants will receive a binder of materials. Participation in this portion of the conference is limited to 25 registrants. Registrants for the StaffSkills educational component will be able to participate in the conference plenary sessions but will be precluded from attending other

workshops or modules. Please indicate your wish to register for the StaffSkills component on the registration form.

The National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP) now has a business service endorsement certification that complements the basic competency system. Participants enrolled in the StaffSkills O'NET educational component and those who participate in Melanie Arthur's "Service Integration Business Services Side" LMI workshops can document their attainment of course competencies for either of the NAWDP competencies.

Registrations must be received no later than October 4, 2004. A non-refundable registration fee of \$95.00 should accompany the registration form. Please complete the registration form (attachment 3) completely and legibly; the form will serve as the basis for the participant list and name badges. The form should be mailed to Lisa Richards at the address indicated on the registration form. Due to hotel capacity, the conference attendance is limited to 200. Questions about registration should be addressed to Lisa at (207) 624-6408 or Lisa.Richards@Maine.gov . Please refer to the ETA Region I website for a downloadable registration form as well as workshop descriptions and other information as it is developed, <a href="http://www.doleta.gov/regions/reg01bos/ent/">http://www.doleta.gov/regions/reg01bos/ent/</a>) under the ETA Headlines Section, "A New Conference on One-Stop Centers November 3 – 5, 2004".

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Marriott at Sable Oaks in South Portland, Maine under "NEtwork '04" for conference participants at a rate of \$79.00 +7% ME tax per night. The Marriott at Sable Oaks is located at 200 Sable Oaks Drive in South Portland, Maine; general directions to the hotel are at attachment 4; detailed directions can be obtained from the hotel's web site <a href="https://www.marriott.com">www.marriott.com</a>. Reservations should be made directly with the hotel at (207) 871-8000 or (800) 752-8810; the closing date for hotel reservations is October 2, 2004.

We look forward to your participation in the third Northeast Regional One Stop conference, *NEtwork 04:* One Stops – Building Economic Opportunity thru Workforce Investment.

Joseph F. Stoltz

Regional Administrator

Attachments

# NEtwork '04

# One Stops - Building Economic Opportunity thru Workforce Investment South Portland, Maine

November 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>, 2004

#### **November 3, 2004**

11:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Registration & Box Lunch

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Welcome

Laura Fortman, Commissioner Maine Department of Labor

**Opening Remarks** 

Joe Stoltz, Regional Administrator, USDOL/ETA, Boston

Keynote Speaker

Emily Stover DeRocco, (Invited)

Assistant Secretary, USDOL/ETA, Washington, D.C.

Washington Perspective

2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Maine welcomes you!

2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. *Mark Troppe, National Center for Education and the Economy* 

Aligning Workforce and Economic Development in Our One Stops

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. *Break* 

3:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. *State Panel* 

5:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. *NEtworking Reception* 

#### November 4, 2004

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. *Keynote Speaker* 

Paul Harrington, Center for Labor Market Studies, Northeastern University

The New England Labor Market

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch

One-Stop Collaboration Awards Presentations

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. *Break* 

3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

### **November 5, 2004**

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. *Keynote Speaker* 

Cindy White, Associate Professor Central Connecticut University Communicating with Business

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Concurrent Workshops/Modules

Thank you for coming. Have a safe trip home.

## NEtwork '04:

# One Stops - Building Economic Opportunity thru Workforce Investment

Marriott at Sable Oaks South Portland, Maine November 3 - 5, 2004

Draft Workshops (Preliminary list)

StaffSkills: Utilizing O'NET Tools in One Stop Service Provision

The Rural Institute

National Business Learning Partnerships

Connecticut's Employment Channel

WIA Reauthorization

Commonwealth Corporation Massachusetts Evaluation Project

Growing Microenterprises

Lean to Last

**Business Plans for One Stops** 

On-Line Training Provider Evaluation

KEEP: Katahdin Entrepreneurial Economic Program

State Disability Navigator

Confidentiality and Legal Issues Facing One Stops

Integration of Services for Dislocated Workers

A New Strategic Vision for the Delivery of Youth Services

Marketing One Stops

**Building Effective Employer Relationships** 

Serving Veterans

Oxford Hills Growth Council

Capacity Building Through Partnerships for WIBs and FBOs

Service Integration for Business Services

Update on Reporting Requirements: EMILE

Youth Session (TBD)

High Demand Growth Occupations Initiative

## NEtwork '04:

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Please mail this form including the \$95.00 <u>non-refundable</u> registration fee to arrive by October 4, 2004 to:

Lisa Richards
Maine Department of Labor
Bureau of Employment Services
55 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Check enclosed:
Make checks payable to:
Maine Department of Labor / Bureau of Employment Services
P.O. number:

Name:					
Name to Appear on Name Tag					
Title					
Organization/Affiliation					
Address					
Phone	Fax	Email			
Accommodations: I request the following special accommodations:					
Meal	Equipment	Other			

### **StaffSkills: Utilizing O'NET Tools in One Stop Service Provision:**

Registration for Utilizing O'NET is on a first-come, first-served basis and is limited to 25 participants. Please indicate below if you wish to register for this program.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please register me for the **Economic Opportunity Conference**\_\_\_\_\_ Please register me for the **StaffSkills: Utilizing O'NET Tools** 

**Lodging**: Participants should make their own arrangements as soon as possible. A block of rooms has been reserved under the title "Network '04". A room rate of \$79.00 + 7% ME tax has been arranged for conference participants. The phone number at the Marriott Sable Oaks is 1-207-871-8000 / toll free 1-800-752-8810.



## NEtwork '04:

One Stops - Building Economic Opportunity
thru Workforce Investment
Marriott at Sable Oaks
South Portland, Maine
November 3 - 5, 2004

#### **Driving Directions**

- 1. From I-95 North or South take Exit 45 (formerly Exit 7) toward I-295/Maine Mall Road/ME-114/Payne Road/US-1
- 2. Take the Maine Mall Road exit toward ME-114/Airport
- 3. Stay straight to go onto ramp
- 4. Turn slight right onto Maine Mall Road
- 5. Turn left on Running Hill Road
- 6. Turn right on Sable Oaks Drive

Detailed driving directions can be obtained from the Marriott Web site at www.Marriott.com